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In re Application of:

Hans REICHENBACH et al.

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For: EPOTHILONES C, D, E AND F, : PREPARATION AND COMPOSITIONS :

Patent Art Unit: 1626

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.607 FOR INTERFERENCE WITH U.S. PATENT NO. 6,156,905

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request that an interference be declared between the above-identified application and U.S. Patent No. 6,156,905.

In connection therewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Add the following claim:

-- Claim 17. An epothilone of the formula:



